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### **Attorney General Darrell McGraw Awards Funding to the Boys and Girls Club of Weirton, Inc. from the Purdue Pharma Settlement Funds**

Charleston- Attorney General Darrell McGraw today announced the distribution of \$15,000 to the Boys and Girls Club of Weirton, Inc. to assist the continued operation of their drug prevention education programs Power Hour and Smart Moves. This money comes from the third installment in the ten-million dollar settlement with Purdue Pharma, the manufacturer of the drug OxyContin.

The Boys and Girls Club of Weirton serves children throughout the entire city. The club provides these children with a safe place to have fun, socialize, and learn. Most importantly, it helps the children by offering programs like those being supported by this money. The Boys and Girls Club of Weirton has given young people a safe haven from peer pressure, allowing them to avoid substance abuse and receive education about the perils of illegal drug use.

“The Boys and Girls Club serves more than four million young people nationwide in over 4,000 club locations. West Virginia is fortunate to have several locations such as the Boys and Girls Club of Weirton that are able to educate, protect and serve the future of our state,” said Attorney General McGraw.

The Purdue Pharma settlement agreed to pay West Virginia ten-million dollars over four years. The bulk of the money, including one-million dollars from this year’s distribution has been used to operate programs that participate in the fight against substance abuse. This funding will serve more than twenty counties across West Virginia.

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